

AGENDA PROPOSAL FOR ADVANCED ACADEMY – FALL 2007

“Victims of Gang and Teen Violence”

Purpose: Focus on Adolescents – “Teen Victim Initiative” - Training will be held in response to the high levels of victimization among teens and the lack of services specifically for teens.

Goal: Help victim assistance providers, law enforcement personnel, and other allied professionals provide informed, culturally competent, and developmentally appropriate response to teen victims and their families.

Thursday, November 1, 2007

TOPIC	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER	TIME ALLOTTED
Youth Violence Epidemic	Upper division level look at Victims of Gang and Teen Violence.	Cacey Yeates will facilitate training and serve as trainer and moderator	1 ½ hours
“Power in You”	Overview of the Mary Kaye Huntsman’s “Power in You” Program. Explanation of significant issues and problems that today’s adolescents are facing.	Mary Bangeter (Executive Director)	1/2 hour
Mentors (Ambassador) from the “Power in you” Program	Personal Stories from program ambassadors and the importance of mentoring youth.	Program Ambassadors	1 hour

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“Inside the Adolescent Mind” Brain Development	Purpose of training is to educate participants about youth development including; physical, social, cognitive and emotional development.	Cacey Yeates will facilitate training and serve as trainer and moderator	2 hours
How Teens are Different from Adults and Children.	Practical information regarding brain development, how adolescents change, why they do the things they do, skills teens need, victimization, abuse & neglect and how it impacts the brain.	Barbara Sullivan (University of Utah)	2 hours

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Teen Violence	Purpose of training is to provide a practical understanding of youth violence and the impact that it has so that victim advocates can effectively assist the affected youth & their families in receiving assistance.	Cacey Yeates will facilitate training and serve as trainer and moderator	4 ½ hours
High Tech Stalking and Technology Safety for Teens	Teens and Technology. Internet, GPS, tracking devices, Chat Rooms, Cell Phones, Text Messaging, Cyberbullying, etc.	Katie Sutton (UDVC Trainer)	1 ½ hours
Teen Dating Violence	Relationship Issues Dynamics of Teen Relationships Patterns of Behavior Risk & Protective Factors	Barbara Higgins (Sandy City VA)	1 hour
Teen Violence Panel	Personal stories and experiences from adolescent victims. Appropriate Intervention Strategies. Prevention Techniques.	Adolescent Teen Violence Victims & Parents	30 minutes
Substance Abuse & Teens	How Substance Abuse relates to teen violence and victimization.	(University of Utah Child & Adolescent Psychiatry)	1 ½ hours

Friday, November 2, 2007

TOPIC	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER	TIME ALLOTTED
Gangs 101	Intensive look at adolescent gang members, victims and culture.	Cacey Yeates will facilitate training and serve as trainer and moderator	4 hours
Youth Gangs	In depth overview of gang lifestyles and gang culture including; dressing down, graffiti, tagging, colors, gang names and alliances, & threats and intimidation.	Salt Lake Area Gang Project	1 hour
“Can’t Teach ‘Em Till you Reach ‘Em”	Education parents, educating community members, educating youth, destructiveness of the gang lifestyle, and getting out & staying out of gangs.	Assigned Detectives	1 hour

Community Partners	Comprehensive strategies for helping communities deal with gang violence. Theoretical principles in working with high risk youth.	Representative David Litvack (Colors of Success)	1 hour
Effective Prosecution of Gang Members	Prosecution through drugs & guns. Effective techniques & strategies. Prosecutions in the Adult Courts & Juvenile Courts.	(Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office)	1 hour

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Reaching and Serving Teen Victims	Overview of best practices in serving adolescents and their families. Appropriate Prevention and Intervention.	Cacey Yeates will facilitate training and serve as trainer and moderator	4 hours
Communicating with Adolescents	Verbal and non-verbal communication (body language), effective interviewing techniques, “slang”, reflective listening, teen-specific intervention strategies.	Jacci Graham (Children's Service Society)	1 hour
Prevention Dimensions “The Role of Prevention Programs in Teen Violence & in Teen Relationships”	Recent trends in school violence, bullying and harassment, risk and protective factors, substance abuse and violence prevention.	Verne Larsen (State Office of Education)	1 ½ hour
Advocacy for Teens & Legal Issues	Victim's Rights Laws & Children's Rights Laws, balancing needs of adolescents with desire of parents, mandatory reporting, parental consent, parental involvement, advocating effectively for teens.	Heidi Nestel Brandon Simmons (Utah Crime Victim's Legal Clinic)	1 ½ hour